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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**
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10 IN RE: Bard IVC Filters Products Liability
11 Litigation
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No. MDL 15-02641-PHX-DGC

**THIRD AMENDED CASE
MANAGEMENT ORDER NO. 1**

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15 In Case Management Order (CMO) No. 1, entered October 30, 2015, the Court set
16 appointments of Plaintiffs' leadership for a term of one year. Doc. 248. The Court entered
17 Amended CMO No. 1 on November 16, 2016, re-appointing Co-Lead Counsel and
18 appointing a Plaintiffs' Executive Committee for another one-year term. Doc. 4016. On
19 March 21, 2017, the Court issued Second Amended CMO No. 1 re-appointing Co-Lead
20 Counsel and Plaintiffs' Executive Committee through November 16, 2017. Doc 5285. The
21 Court has reviewed Plaintiffs' Co-Lead/Liaison Counsel's Memorandum Re Leadership
22 Appointments (Doc. 14418) and issues this Third Amended CMO No. 1 for the appointment
23 of individuals to Plaintiffs' leadership in this MDL for the term of this Order.

24 **I. Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel Appointments.**

25 The Court having considered all of the applications submitted and other relevant
26 information, appoints the following plaintiffs' counsel to leadership positions, as indicated
27 and to be known as "Plaintiffs Leadership Counsel" (PLC):
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Plaintiffs' Co-Lead/Liaison Counsel and State/Federal Liaison Counsel

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1 **II. Responsibilities.**

2 **A. Procedural Matters.**

3 1. As noted in this Court’s previous Order Setting Initial Case
4 Management Conference dated September 15, 2015, the Clerk of this Court will maintain
5 a master docket case file under the style “*In Re: Bard IVC Filters Products Liability*
6 *Litigation*” and the identification “MDL No. 2641.” Lead/Liaison will be (a) the only
7 attorneys permitted to file in the Master Docket as to all actions, and (b) the only attorneys
8 receiving Notices of Electronic Filing for pleadings and orders filed in the Master Docket
9 for all actions.

10 2. With regard to the Master Docket, Plaintiffs’ Lead/Liaison Counsel
11 shall:

12 a. Serve as the recipient for all Court orders.

13 b. Coordinate service and filings for all plaintiffs whether presently
14 included or subsequently added.

15 c. Maintain and distribute to co-counsel and to Defendants’ Counsel an
16 up-to-date service list.

17 d. Maintain responsibility for service upon all other attorneys and parties
18 as to filings made in the master docket. Specifically, Lead/Liaison Counsel
19 shall receive and distribute, to all other Plaintiffs’ counsel, pleadings orders,
20 and motions by email, overnight courier service, or telecopier, within two
21 days after receipt, unless such service has been waived, in writing, by a
22 receiving counsel.

23 e. Coordinate discovery and litigation with similar cases outside of this
24 Court's jurisdiction.

25 3. Lead/Liaison Counsel is only responsible for service with regard to
26 filings in the Master Docket. With regard to case-specific filings, all attorneys of record in
27 the relevant member action will receive a Notice of Electronic Filing from the Court.
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1 4. New counsel for later-filed or later-transferred cases that become part
2 of this MDL shall be responsible for checking the Master Docket for all orders previously
3 entered that may have relevance to such new cases.

4 **B. Responsibilities Specific to Lead/Liaison Counsel.**

5 In addition to the responsibilities identified above, Plaintiffs' Lead/Liaison Counsel
6 shall:

7 1. Coordinate the establishment of a document depository, real or virtual,
8 to be available to all participating plaintiffs' counsel;

9 2. Maintain and make available to all participating plaintiffs' counsel of
10 record, at reasonable hours, a complete file of all documents served by or upon each party
11 (except documents as may be available at a document depository);

12 3. Prepare agendas for court conferences and periodically report
13 regarding the status of the case; and

14 4. Carry out such other duties as the Court may order.

15 **C. Responsibilities of Plaintiffs' Executive Committee.**

16 The PEC shall assist, advise, and collaborate with Co-Lead Counsel in the discharge
17 of duties of liaison and Co-Lead Counsel outlined in Sections II. A and B above. The PEC,
18 with the authority of Co-Lead counsel, and in coordination with their efforts and
19 responsibilities, shall assist and collaborate with Co-Lead Counsel in the administration,
20 organization, and strategic decisions of the PLC. At the direction of Co- Lead Counsel
21 PEC members shall have the authority to make, supervise and oversee assignments to other
22 PSC members.

23 **D. Responsibilities Applicable to all Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel.**

24 Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel shall have the following responsibilities:

25 1. Discovery

26 a. Initiate, coordinate, and conduct all pretrial discovery on behalf of
27 plaintiffs in all actions which are consolidated with this MDL.
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- b. Develop and propose schedules for the commencement, execution, and completion of all discovery on behalf of all plaintiffs.
- c. Cause to be issued in the name of all plaintiffs the necessary discovery requests, motions and subpoenas pertaining to any witnesses and documents needed to properly prepare for the trial of relevant issues found in the pleadings of this litigation.
- d. Conduct all discovery in a coordinated and consolidated manner on behalf of and for the benefit of all plaintiffs.

2. Hearings and Meetings

- a. Call meetings of counsel for plaintiffs for any appropriate purpose, including coordinating responses to questions of other parties or of the Court. Initiate proposals, suggestions, schedules or joint briefs, and any other appropriate matters pertaining to pretrial proceedings.
- b. Examine witnesses and introduce evidence on behalf of plaintiffs at hearings.
- c. Act as spokespersons for all plaintiffs at pretrial proceedings and in response to any inquiries by the Court, subject to the right of any plaintiff's counsel to present non-repetitive individual or different positions.

3. Miscellaneous

- a. Submit and argue all verbal and written motions presented to the Court on behalf of Plaintiff's Leadership Counsel as well as oppose when necessary any motion submitted by defendants or other parties which involve matters within the sphere of the responsibilities of Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel.
- b. Negotiate and enter into stipulations with defendants regarding this litigation. All stipulations entered into by Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel, except for strictly administrative details such as scheduling, must be submitted for Court approval and will not be binding until ratified by the

1 Court. Any attorney not in agreement with a non-administrative
2 stipulation shall file with the Court a written objection within five (5) days
3 after he/she knows or should have reasonably become aware of the
4 stipulation. Failure to object within the term allowed shall be deemed a
5 waiver and the stipulation will automatically be binding on that party.

- 6 c. Explore, develop, and pursue all settlement options pertaining to any
7 claim or portion thereof of any case filed in this litigation.
- 8 d. Maintain adequate files of all pretrial matters, including establishing and
9 maintaining a document or exhibit depository, in either real or virtual
10 format, and having those documents available, under reasonable terms and
11 conditions for examinations by all MDL plaintiffs or their attorneys.
- 12 e. Perform any task necessary and proper for Plaintiffs Leadership Counsel
13 to accomplish its responsibilities as defined by the Court's orders,
14 including organizing subcommittees comprised of plaintiffs' lawyers not
15 on Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel.
- 16 f. Work with Lead/Liaison Counsel to coordinate the responsibilities of
17 Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel meetings, keep minutes or transcripts of
18 these meetings, appear at periodic Court-noticed status conferences,
19 perform other necessary administrative or logistic functions of Plaintiffs'
20 Leadership Counsel, and carry out any duty as ordered by the Court.
- 21 g. Perform other such functions that may be expressly authorized by further
22 Court Orders.

23 **E. Reimbursement of Costs Expended.**

24 Plaintiffs' Leadership Counsel shall be entitled to seek reimbursement for costs
25 expended at the time and in a manner approved by the Court. Reimbursements will be
26 governed by a further case management order to be proposed by Plaintiffs' Leadership
27 Counsel and entered by the Court.

Appointments to all leadership positions in this order shall last until November 16, 2019 unless terminated earlier by the Court. Thirty days before the expiration of this one-year term, Lead/Liaison Counsel shall file a memorandum notifying the Court of the need to make further appointments and making recommendations regarding these appointments.

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